

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 24, 26, 28, 63, 65 and 66 are pending in the present application; Claims 24 and 66 having been amended by way of the present amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claim 66, 24, 28, and 63 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Larsson et al., Claims 24, 26-28, 63, 65 and 66 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being anticipated over Chennakeshu et al. in view of Raith and Chen et al., and support for the amended claim language was requested.

In response to the support for the amended claim language, the originally filed application does provide support for the claim changes.

Regarding the previous amendment to Claim 63 related to the address information, the Examiner is directed to paragraphs [0065]-[0068] of the published application corresponding to the present application. With respect to added Claim 66, this claim has some similarity to independent Claim 24. However, Claim 66 recites the use of “identification information.” Such identification information is disclosed, for example, in paragraph [0065]-[0068] of the published patent application corresponding to the present application. Moreover, Claim 66 is amended by way of the present amendment to recite the use of a paging signal, and such a paging signal is disclosed at paragraphs 67-69 of the corresponding published application, for example.

Upon review of the claims, it appears that the originally filed Claim 66 did not have antecedent basis for “the connection control section.” Accordingly, the connection control section has been added to Claim 66. This addition does not raise a new issue as the connection control section was already recited in Claim 66 and considered by the Examiner.

Further, the word “a” has been added to claims 24 and 66 to use more appropriate English.

Thus, entry of the present amendment for purposes of appeal is respectfully requested.

Claims 66, 24, 28, and 63 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Larsson et al. (hereinafter “Larsson”). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 24 and Claim 26 are directed towards a mobile communication terminal. This mobile communication terminal may be, for example, a mobile or cellular telephone. Both Claims 24 and 66 recite a connection control section *of the mobile communication terminal* which disconnects the connection with an electronic device. Larsson discloses at column 7, lines 35-41 of control by the car kit. Specifically, “when the car kit determines that emulation has terminated for one reason or another, e.g., the car phone does not respond, then normal communication is re-enabled.” Thus, Larsson clearly describes at column 7, lines 35-41, that the car kit performs the controlling of the termination. To the contrary, Claims 24 and 66 are directed to a mobile communication terminal. In Claims 24 and 66, it is the mobile communication terminal which performs the disconnecting, whereas in Larsson, such disconnection is performed by the car kit (e.g., a car mounted electronic device).

Thus, as Larsson does not disclose or suggest a disconnection, as claimed, performed by the mobile communication terminal but the car kit does such controlling, neither independent Claim 24 nor independent Claim 66 is anticipated by Larsson. Thus, these claims, and each of the claims depending therefrom is patentable over Larsson and the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) is respectfully requested to be withdrawn.

Claims 24, 26-28, 63, 65 and 66 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Chennakeshu et al. (hereinafter Chennakeshu) in view of Raith and Chen et al. (hereinafter Chen). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

In the previous Amendment filed November 21, 2006, detailed arguments were presented explaining why Chen does not disclose or suggest the feature of disconnection with

the car mounted electronic device, and sending its own communication mode. However, the Examiner does not appear to have acknowledged the arguments presented previously regarding Chen and appears to have repeated word for the previous rejection using Chen. Chen does not disclose or suggest the features previously outlined in the last Response, and the outstanding Office Action does not address the deficiencies which were specifically pointed out.

Chen does not disclose the disconnection procedure recited in the pending independent claims. The receiving device in Chen does not have two communication modes corresponding to a hands-free mode and an own communication mode. Moreover, the receiving device does not switch over to any communication mode if the disconnection occurs during a communication. Further, the disconnection disclosed by Chen appears to disconnect due to a degradation of transmission quality during voice communication between a mobile phone and the base station.

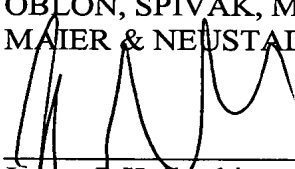
Examining the specific limitations recited in independent Claim 24, there is a connection control section which ... sets a communication mode in a hands-free mode automatically if the connection procedure is completed, disconnects the connection with the car mounted electronic device and sets the communication mode in its own mode if no packet, which is periodically output from the car mounted electronic device for acknowledgement of the connection, is received for a predetermined time period. Independent Claim 66 recites a connection control section which automatically sets a communication mode to a hands-free mode if the connection procedure is complete, disconnects the connection with the electronic device and sets the communication mode to its own communication mode if no packet, which is periodically output from the electronic device for acknowledgement of the connection, is received for a predetermined period of time.

In addition to the above arguments, the Examiner is specifically directed towards the arguments made at p. 8, beginning with the second paragraph through the top paragraph of p. 9. Based on the above, a feature of the independent claims is clearly missing from all prior art of record and the rejection of the independent claims and each of the claims depending therefrom over the combination of Chennakeshu, Raith and Chen is respectfully requested to be withdrawn.

Consequently, in light of the above discussion and in view of the present amendment, the present application is in condition for formal allowance and an early and favorable action to that effect is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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